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- We'll respect the time pressures on you. We'll turn up when we are scheduled to and if we're delayed by weather or unforeseen circumstances we'll keep you informed.
- We'll respect your budget and highlight any potential risks before they become an issue.





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Project Profile: The Fountain Courtyard, Balls Park, Hertford



Project Details

Client:
Landscape Contractor:
Landscape Architects:
Contractor for Fountains:

Explore Living South East
Oak View Landscapes Limited
Liz Lake Associates
Miles Waterscapes Limited

The project

The Fountain Courtyard is the centrepiece of a prestigious development set within 63 acres of historic parkland at Balls Park in Hertfordshire.

The client's brief was to provide a high quality landscape that would function as a communal garden and provide an attractive leafy outlook into the courtyard from the adjacent apartments.



The landscape design solution

The fountain forms the focal point of the courtyard and is surrounded by curved paved seats, which provide a communal space where residents can gather. A simple palette of high quality hard landscape materials provides a foil for the planting which comprises low box topiary hedging and herbaceous planting. Four magnolia trees echo those growing adjacent to the Mansion. The decorative entrance archways have been detailed to match the original gateway to the formal gardens to the rear of the Mansion.

Challenges faced – and overcome

The work, as ever, was completed to exacting deadlines driven by the client's commercial needs. However, the amount of detail involved in the hard landscaping required meticulous planning and careful execution to ensure a perfect result. The installation of the water feature and the lighting each presented their own challenges and required specialist skills.

The landscape architect's view

"The completed project comes as close as it is possible to get to the design vision," says Matt Lee of Liz Lake Associates. "Oak View are ideally suited to these more complex projects: they are set up to respect the detail of a design and they work hard to ensure a successful outcome."

The client's view on the outcome

"My first involvement with Oak View Landscapes was via Liz Lake Associates when a design for a more contemporary water feature was required on a scheme in Chelmsford," says Stuart Bailey, Technical Director of Explore Living, South East.

"During that job and at Balls Park, the Oak View team was always happy to put forward ideas to improve the scheme and worked well with the team that included Liz Lake Associates, Miles Waterscapes & ourselves. Oak View always maintain the highest of standards even working to a tight build programme. I've been happy to work with them in the past and look forward to doing so again in the future."

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